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OVER THERE

They say our friends are over there,
In lands forever vernal;
Where living vines breathe fragrance rare,
Through bloom which is eternal.
To go, they say, is not to die,
But passing out of dying;
Where sorrow ends its bitter sigh,
In lands unknown to sighing.

[" Shall we be there ? "]

LINCOLN'S MELANCHOLY.

His Sympathetic Nature.—Those who saw much of Abraham Lincoln during the latter years of his life, were greatly impressed with the expression of profound melancholy his face always wore in repose.

He was of a peculiarly sympathetic and kindly nature. These strong characteristics influenced, very happily, as it proved, his entire political career. They would not seem, at first glance, to be efficient aids to political success; but in the peculiar emergency which Lincoln, in the Providence of God, was called to meet, he seemed to have become the "chosen of the Lord."

Those acquainted with him from boyhood knew that early griefs tinged his whole life with sadness. His partner in the grocery business at Salem, was "Uncle" Billy Green, of Tallula, Ill., who used at night when customers were few, to hold the book while Lincoln recited his lessons in grammar. It was to his sympathetic ear that Lincoln told the story of his love for sweet Ann Rutledge; and he, in return, offered what comfort he could when poor Ann died, and Lincoln's great heart nearly broke. "After Ann died," says Uncle Billy, "on stormy nights, when the wind blew the rain against the roof, Abe would set thar in the grocery, his elbows on his knees, his face in his hands, and the tears running through his fingers. I hated to see him feel bad, an' I'd say, 'Abe, don't cry; an' he'd look up an' say, 'I can't help it, Bill, the rain's a fallin' on her.'"

There's many a heart that can sympathise with such overpowering grief, as they think of loved ones, where "the rain's a fallin' on" them.

Gog and Magog.—Some people have an idea that this expression means good and bad people. But the learned tell us that it simply alludes to different heathen tribes, or countries, and is now used sometimes to indicate, as Clement, a learned monk, says, "a multitude of powerful, cruel, barbarous and implacable enemies of God and his Church."—[Such as Anarchists and Socialists?]

Talmage's From MANGER to THRONE
with Biography of Jesus Christ, and History of Bible Lands, with description of Dr. Talmage's journey to, thro' and from the Holy Land, etc. Having secured the exclusive Agency of the above-named grand and deeply interesting work, for Haddonfield and Haddon Township, I am prepared to take subscriptions for it. It will contain about 600 large pages, with 400 handsome illustrations of places and scenery in Palestine, and a grand Panorama of Jerusalem, ten feet in length, and in ten colors. "On the day of the crucifixion." It is less in respect of Dr. Talmage as a superb writer and speaker, as he is well known by his sermons as published in numerous newspapers throughout the United States. The price of this splendid book of absorbing interest, is \$3.75, \$4.50, \$5.50 and \$7.00, according to binding.

A Rev. Franklin Keyes, an "evangelist," recently died in Massachusetts, said to have left an estate worth \$50,000! Good business. Many in it, men and women.

What flummery is written and printed sometimes of men who, by fortunate circumstances, or by means not strictly in accordance with "do unto others as I would have them do unto me," who have risen above their fellows in wealth or position. A paragraph is going the rounds that Gen. Grant, when at school, pretended he did not know what the word "can't" meant; couldn't find it in the dictionary, nor could any one satisfy him what it meant. [Wonderful! What stuff! It may be that there is not a word of truth in it—some flatterer.]

Mrs. Zerelda G. Wallace, mother of "Ben Hur," advocates, as a last resort, the enfranchisement of women, and says, "Upon women is laid the responsibility of our country's moral condition; that woman is the conservator of public morals means less than half of what it should signify until woman has the privilege of exercising the right to vote." Selah!

And yet we see it stated that Sixty-Six saloons in New York are said to be kept by women! What sort?

Many are Uses of Ammonia.—It will often relieve severe headache. . . A little of it in tepid water will soften and cleanse the skin. . . To brighten carpets, wipe them, using warm water with a few drops of ammonia in it. . . Door plates may be cleansed by rubbing with a cloth wet in ammonia and water. . . When acid of any kind gets on clothing, spirits of ammonia will kill it. Apply chloroform to restore the color. . . Grease spots may be taken out with weak ammonia in water; lay soft white paper over and iron with a hot iron.

In an article in a late Ledger we are told that a great amount of harm is done to the youth of Philadelphia by the ruin saloons of Gloucester, and that late on Sunday nights the cars from Gloucester ferry are crowded with young boys and girls—some of them not more than 14 years of age—so intoxicated that they are helpless!

Guest (who has tried them.)—"Why on earth don't you cut down that old apple tree? It's so near the road the boys steal most of 'em, and they're hard, sour things, anyhow." Dr. Popular—(with a quiet smile) "They pay for them at Two Dollars a visit."—Judge.

Little boy—"When the preacher talked about wicked people, he didn't look at the congregation; he looked up in the air; why was that?" Papa—"He was probably looking at the choir."—N. Y. Weekly.

Wife—"Horrors! husband, I've just heard there is a case of small pox on the flat above us." Husband—"Yes, I know about it. That's all right. It's the young man who plays the cornet."—N. Y. Weekly.

Jacob's Well is said to have been bought by the Russian Government from the Turks, and propose to build a church over it. It was rapidly filling up. There seems to be no doubt about its genuineness.

An inmate of the Georgia State Hospital for the Insane, imagines he is a grain of corn, and will not go into the yard for fear the chickens will gobble him up.

It is reported that many of the girls are ceasing to wear corset and high-heeled shoes. Sensible.

The English language must be confusing to a foreigner—"O, by the bye, I will come by, by and bye, and buy a bicycle," said one to a shopkeeper.

"Pack my box with five dozen liquor jugs," contains all the letters of the alphabet.

A mother and two daughters in N. York State are said to have given birth to twins all on the same day. (?)

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HADDONFIELD, N. J., NOVEMBER 21 1890.

Borough Commissioners meet in the Town Hall on the 2nd Wednesday evening in each month. They are J. Morris Roberts, Chas. D. Hillman, Sam'l C. A. Clement, Sam'l C. Paris, W. J. Boning, Com. of Appeal—John H. Lippincott, Geo. D. Stuart, Abel Hillman, Wm. J. Boning, Pres.; Chas. D. Hillman, Treas. Public invited to come.

The Board of Managers of the Free Reading Room Associat'n meets every 3d Monday in each month. J. L. PENNYACKER, Sec.

The Womens' Christian Temperance Union of this town meets every Tuesday afternoon in Wilkins' Hall, at 4 o'clock.

Thanksgiving Day will be observed in Haddonfield by the Presbyterian and Methodist churches uniting and meeting in the Presbyterian church. After the preliminary services, singing, etc., which will be attended to by the pastor and aids, Rev. Mc. Wright will deliver an address. The Episcopal and Baptist churches will hold separate meetings of their own.

The grade craze is rampant again, and people are put to unnecessary expense, and their property injured by altering grades that have existed in the older parts of the town for half a century or more, and houses were built and grounds laid out without ever dreaming of being disturbed by new grades. Tanager street has been dug down about a foot to soft soil, and from being a good hard street, will now be a mud street in wet times.

Rev. Mr. Werner, we are sorry to learn, has been quite ill for several weeks, so as to have been unable to preach—memorhage of the lungs. He is attended by Dr. B. Shivers, and now on the mend.

Our new, young and enterprising Postmaster, Howard Clement, son of Mr. Alfred W. Clement, has had the Post-Office much enlarged, and fitted up very nicely, with additional boxes, including a number of lock-boxes, and room for more when needed, to meet the wants of our constantly growing town and population.

Rev. N. J. Wright, as previously announced, preached on skepticism and infidelity on Sunday evening last, to a large audience, taking for his text, "The fool hath said in his heart There is No God."

Next Sunday evening, his subject will be "First and Last," or, "The first shall be last, and the last shall be first." He has a way of making his subjects deeply interesting and profitable to his hearers.

Our brother, (or it may be sister,) of the Woodstown "Monitor," seems to have been captured by the notoriety-seeking women who are itching for place, power and emoluments in Methodist General Conference. We recently heard a minister, who had occasion to speak of St. Paul, while preaching, say that there were some persons who did not approve of the teachings of Paul [of course their wisdom transcends that of Paul.] especially some of our sisters, and some of our "sisterly" brethren. We judge the "Monitor" is of the "sisterly" kind.

Re-districting the State, it is thought, will engage the attention of our next Legislature, by which it is said, it will give the Democratic party more complete control.

Theophilus Hires, a Millville butcher, carried a sharp knife in his vest pocket, and in leaning over to hold a hog, it was run into his breast, just above the heart—not necessarily fatal, but very dangerous, say the Dr.'s.

At a late lecture here, the boys behaved shamefully,

An Express train collided with a load of hay at a crossing at Collingswood on Friday morning last, during the prevalence of a thick fog, scattering the hay and demolishing the wagon; but, so far as we can learn, neither man or beast was hurt. Passing there soon after, we observed the hay was being loaded on another wagon.

Since our last issue two prominent persons have died in Philadelphia—the well-known Dr. Levis, and W. Hall Stanton, the latter having much to do with educational matters.

The Republicans have met an overwhelming defeat in the late elections, so that though the present Congress has 175 Republicans and 151 Democrats, the next Congress will consist of 89 Republicans and 217 Democrats! We think the arbitrary rulings of chairman Reed in counting majorities when no such majorities existed, and the tariff, did it. Now we should not be at all surprised if our next President is a Democrat—either Mr. Cleveland, or the lately elected Governor of Pennsylvania, Mr. Pattison.

Miss Annie Wilkins advertises Real Estate, Bank and other stocks for sale on Thursday, Nov. 20, at 2 p. m.

A sale of household goods, etc., belonging to the estate of the late D. G. Barnard, this day, on Ellis st.

Chalkley Leconey advertises his farm, stock, household goods, etc., for sale, Tuesday, Nov. 25, at 12, noon.

Aaron Moore, colored, was drowned near Evans' mill on Sunday, Nov. 9, in shallow water. He was subject to fits, and may have fallen in the water in one of them.

The President of the United States has issued a proclamation for a general Thanksgiving on Thursday, the 27th day of Nov. We all have much to be thankful for.

The total vote of the Prohibition party in New Jersey at the late election is put down at \$300; last year, 6553; gain, 1496; or nearly 22 per cent.

The vote in the Philadelphia Methodist churches as to the admission of women to the General Conference, was 515 for, and 808 against—a very small vote.

Stanley, the African explorer, has been lecturing in the Academy of Music, Philadelphia.

Strikers who molest non-union men on the wharves at Melbourne, Australia, are fined and imprisoned.

Ex-Mayor Cox, of Camden, died in the 9th inst. It is said he was born in Haddonfield, Feb. 15, 1820.

Jacob Reed, of the firm of Reed's Sons, clothiers, recently died, in his 88th year. He was well known in the southern part of Philadelphia.

John E. Haun, of Bridgeton, was recently fined \$25 for selling liquor to a minor. Served him right.

The brick manufacturers, when arbitration was proposed, stated that they had nothing to arbitrate, and proposed to run their yards and employ whom they please without any dictation.

A large number of Indians are looking for a Messiah, who is to lead them in destroying the white people, and restoring the country to them—a sad delusion.

Birchell, the murderer, was hung on Friday, the 19th inst. According to accounts published, there was considerable kissing done between him and some of the men about him in the last scenes. Faugh!

The population of Camden is said to be about 60,000.

For a Christmas Present,

There can be nothing nicer or more appropriate than Talmage's new book, "From Manger to Throne." But it must be ordered in time, for the demand is so great that the book cannot be delivered till several weeks after the order is given. We are taking subscriptions. Price, \$3.75, \$4.50, \$6.50, and \$10, according to binding.